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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 2874
Docket No.: 1614.1124

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Hironao HAKOGI et al.

Serial No. 09/781,327

Group Art Unit: 2874

Confirmation No. 9065

Filed: February 13, 2001

Examiner: Sung H. Pak

For: OPTICAL MODULE

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Attention: **BOX AF**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed December 4, 2002, and having a period for response set to expire on March 4, 2003. A Petition for a one-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to April 4, 2003.

Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested. The following remarks are respectfully submitted.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please AMEND the claims in accordance with the following:

1. (TWICE AMENDED) An optical module comprising:
a ferrule having a slope end surface and supporting an optical fiber penetrated therethrough;
a photodetector mounted on the slope end surface, and optically coupled directly with the optical fiber;
a module substrate supporting the ferrule; and

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